

Pre-ACE Polarimeter ~ Final Presentation ~

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2011 PACE Polarimeter



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- CLASS B Mission
 - Selective redundancy
 - Class S electronics parts at customer direction
- Launch 2019
- Polar, (sun-synch, 1330 ascending node) orbit @ 650 km, ~98° inclination
- 3 yr. mission lifetime, 5 yr. goal

Total Instrument Rack-up

(no contingency included)

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PACE Polarimeter	Total Mass	Total Power (Effective Average)	Total Data Rate
UV Channel VNIR Channel SWIR Channel Telescope Photodiode Ring Calibration Wheel Mechanism Detector + ROIC Detector Assembly Enclosure ASIC Aperture Wheel / Mechanism Polarization / Calibration Hemisphere Calibration Lamp Optical Bench Polarimeter Enclosure Instrument Base Plate Main Electronics Box Mechanism Control Electronics Box Alignment Mechanism Control Electronics Box Thermal Subsytem Deployable Earth Shade Radiator Heat Pipes	167.4 Kg	121.2 W Orbital Average Power Peak Power 243	Average Data Rate to S/C SSR = 66.7 Mbps (33.4 Mbps with 2:1 loss-less compression)

Top-Level* Mass Summary by Subsystem





PACE Polarimeter	Mass CBE (Kg)	% of Total Mass
Optical	5.4	3.2%
Detector	1.7	1.0%
Electrical	17.3	10.3%
Mechanism	27.2	16.3%
Mechanical	57.8	34.5%
Thermal	23.3	13.9%
Harness	26.7	16.0%
5% misc Hardware	8.0	4.8%
Total (+5% hardware and no margin):	167.4	100.0%

*this listing does not include all subassemblies, please refer to the final mass model (MEL) for a full summary





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Readout Data Rates

Given: Ground Track Velocity ~ 7Km/sec (for ~ 650Km orbit)

⇒Frame rate = 7 Frames/sec (ie. 7Hz)

⇒Instrument Total Data Rate ~ (16.7 + 38.9 + 11.1)Mbps ~ 66.7Mbps , or ~ 33.4Mbps (assuming 2:1 lossless data compression)

Data Storage

Assume 12hours/day requirement (ie. Collect data for 50% of each orbit)

Data Storage Rate: ~ (33.4Mbps x 60sec/min x 60min/hour x 12hours) ~

1.5Tbits